

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-13 (cancelled)

14. (Currently amended) A floor, ~~comprised of~~ comprising:

a sub-floor (10) continuously covered with a layer (12) of cured ~~hardened~~ adhesive, and

covering elements (16) of wood or wood materials having a surface adhered to the layer of cured ~~hardened~~ adhesive, wherein said covering elements are completely covered on their adhered surface with the adhesive,

~~wherein the adhesive layer (12) has a layer thickness of 0.5 to 5 mm, and~~

wherein the cured adhesive has a shear strength ~~in the hardened condition which is~~ of less than 1.2 N/mm^2 ; and

wherein the shear strength of the cured adhesive is less than a shear strength of the sub-floor (10)

wherein the cured adhesive is a reaction adhesive.

15. (Currently amended) A The floor according to Claim 14, wherein the shear strength of the cured adhesive is from 0.6 to 1.0 N/mm^2 .

16. (Currently amended) The A floor according to Claim 14, wherein the cured adhesive is comprised of a reaction-type resin which hardens upon exposure to water.

17. (Currently amended) A The floor according to Claim 16, wherein the resin is a polyurethane or polyurethane hybrid resin.

18. (Currently amended) A The floor according to Claims 14, wherein the cured adhesive is comprised of modified silicone polymers.

19. (Currently amended) A The floor according to Claim 14, wherein the cured adhesive in the hardened condition has a Shore (A) hardness of 20 to 35.

20. (Currently amended) A The floor according to Claim 14, wherein the cured adhesive in the hardened condition has a break elongation (~~strain at break~~) of 300 to 1000%.

21. (Currently amended) A method for adhering floor covering elements (16) of wood or wood materials to a sub-floor (10), comprising:

applying to said sub-floor and to the surface of said floor covering elements ~~to be adhered on~~ a cured adhesive which hardens to a shear strength of less than 1.2 N/mm².

22. (Currently amended) A The method as in claim 21, wherein said cured adhesive hardens to a shear strength of 0.6 to 1.0 N/mm².

23. (Currently amended) A The method as in Claim 21, wherein said sub-floor is comprised of cement, concrete or dry-construction plates.

24. (Currently amended) A The method as in Claim 21, wherein the cured adhesive (12) is applied with a layer thickness of 0.5 to 5 mm.

25. (Currently amended) A The method as in Claim 21, wherein the cured adhesive is a polyurethane or polyurethane hybrid which hardens upon exposure to water.

26. (Currently amended) A The method as in Claim 21, wherein the cured adhesive is a one component modified silicone polymer.

27. (Currently amended) A The method for adhering floor covering elements (16) of wood or wood materials to a sub-floor (10) comprising:

applying to said sub-floor and to the surface of said floor covering elements ~~to be adhered on~~ a cured adhesive which hardens to a shore hardness (A) of 20 to 35.

28. (Currently amended) A The method as in Claim 27, wherein said sub-floor is comprised of cement, concrete or dry-construction plates.

29. (Currently amended) A The method as in Claim 27, wherein the cured adhesive (12) is applied with a layer thickness of 0.5 to 5 mm.

30. (Currently amended) A The method as in Claim 27, wherein the cured adhesive is a polyurethane or polyurethane hybrid which hardens upon exposure to water.

31. (Currently amended) A The method as in Claim 27, wherein the cured adhesive is a one component modified silicone polymer.

32. (Currently amended) A The method for adhering floor covering elements (16) of wood or wood materials to a sub-floor (10) comprising:

applying to said sub-floor and to the surface of said floor covering elements ~~to be adhered an~~ a cured adhesive which when hardened has a break elongation of 30 to 1000%.

33. (Currently amended) A The method as in Claim 21, wherein the cured adhesive (12) is applied with a layer thickness of 0.5 to 5 mm.

34. (New) The floor according to Claim 14, wherein the cured adhesive layer (12) has a layer thickness of 0.5 to 5 mm.